SENATE RESOLUTION 144 By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Rebecca J. McClure, 2004 Salutatorian of Clarksville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca McClure is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2004 graduating class at Clarksville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss McClure has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Rebecca McClure has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, as a result of her dedication to academic excellence, Miss McClure has received numerous accolades and awards, including the Excel Program Gold Card; the Woodmen of the World U.S. History Award; the AP Scholar with Honor Award from the College Board; the Principal's Award; the National Latin Exam Silver Medal; Belmont University's Faculty Scholarship; and the Chancellor's Scholarship at the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, she also participated in the Math Science Technology Academy, was recognized as one of the top ten biology students of the year, was honored at the Academic Awards Banquet, won the school-wide Writing Exercise sponsored by the English Department, and was selected for the Scholars Program at the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, highly respected by her classmates and teachers alike, Miss McClure was chosen as 2nd Alternate for Girls' State, accepted to the Tennessee Governor's School for the Humanities, and voted as "Most Intelligent"; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of her school, Rebecca McClure holds membership in several laudable organizations, including the Leo Club, which she serves on the Board of Directors; the Junior Civitan Club, which she served as the Freshman Director; First Priority, which she has served as Secretary and Vice President; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; National Honor Society, in which she was one of two candidates chosen to apply for the National Honor Society Scholarship; Youth Chronicle Correspondent; the Junior Classic League, in which she won placement in several academic competitions; and the Math Team, in which she participated in regional and national testing; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Miss McClure has assiduously ministered to others as a Hillmont Church Camp Counselor, Leadership and Promotion Team Planner for Sonburst, Lifelines Leader, Youth Missions worker in Montreal, Canada, Chicago, Illinois, and Gulf Shores, Alabama, Preschool Sunday School Teacher at First Baptist Church, Vacation Bible School Class Director, Volunteer at Gateway Hospital, Salvation Army Bell Ringer, Volunteer at Rivers and Spires, Youth Choir Member, and as a Tutor for children in Lincoln Homes housing project; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Miss McClure's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca McClure's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Clarksville High School Salutatorian, Rebecca J. McClure, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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